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SUBJECT: CPA – Food Security Act (FSA) Compliance Reviews – **Highly Erodible Land (HEL)**
Tracts Owned By Government Employees

TO: All Employees

PURPOSE: To provide guidance for USDA employees who own, operate or have an interest in farm tracts subject to Food Security Act Compliance Reviews

EXPIRATION DATE: September 30, 2006

ACTION REQUIRED BY: January 27, 2006

Farm Service Agency and Natural Resources Conservation Service employees who own, operate or have an interest in **HEL** tracts **and** receive program benefits will have a Compliance Review conducted on each tract at least once every three years. Employees who meet these criteria are required to submit form NRCS-CPA-1, "Employee Data on Farm Interest", identifying **HEL** tracts only to the State Conservationist annually (180-V-NFSAM, Fourth Ed., Amendment 1, April 2004, 518.03[e]).

If you meet these criteria, complete the NRCS-CPA-1 form and submit to Eugene Backhaus, Resource Conservationist, by **FRIDAY, JANUARY 27, 2006**. Negative reports are not required.

Contact Eugene Backhaus at 720-544-2868 or email eugene.backhaus@co.usda.gov or your Area Conservationist if you have questions regarding these requirements.

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